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ON ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT AND ENERGY - BULGARIAN

VIEWS PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ECE DECISION B(XXXI)

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1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED FROM ECE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY STANOVNIK A LETTER DATED DECEMBER 10, 1976, FROM BULGARIAN DEPUTY MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS TSVETKOV DETTING FORTH GOB VIEWS ON THE SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR ALL-EUROPEAN CONGRESSES ON QUESTION OF COOPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSPORT AND ENERGY. LETTER HAS BEEN CIRCULATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ECE DECISION B(XXXI).

2. GOB LETTER EXPRESSES FULL SUPPORT FOR THE SOVIET PRO-

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POSAL, SINCE THE GOB CONSIDERS "ITS PRIMARY TASK TO BE THE CONSISTENT AND UNCONDITIONAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT EMBODIED IN THE (CSCE) FINAL ACT". IT SEES THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PROPOSED "INTER-STATE MEETINGS" IN THAT THEY "WILL SHED LIGHT ON CONCRETE FORMS OF COOPERATION AND WILL CREATE CONDITIONS FOR SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENTS TO CARRY OUT LARGE-SCALE PROJECTS OF

INTEREST TO THE WHOLE OF EUROPE". THE LETTER ADDS THAT SINCE THESE MATTERS AFFECT MAJOR INTERESTS OF STATES, CONVENING OF THE INTER-STATE MEETINGS AT A SUFFICIENTLY HIGH LEVEL IS A PREREQUISITE FOR SUCCESS.

3. IN THE FIELD OF ENVIRONMENT, THE GOB LETTER SUGGESTS THAT SUCH MEETINGS MIGHT EXAMINE QUESTIONS OF (A) DEVELOPMENT AND INTRODUCTION OF NON-WASTE TECHNOLOGIES, (B) PROTECTION OF FRESH WATERS FROM POLLUTION, (C) IMPROVEMENT OF THE STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT IN CENTERS OF POPULATION, AND (D) ECOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF PLANNING.

4. IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORT, THE GOB SUGGESTS CONSIDERATION OF (A) DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF A UNIFIED SYSTEM OF COMMUNICATING WATERWAYS, (B) CO-OPERATION IN THE PLANNING, BUILDING AND INTERCONNECTION OF MOTORWAYS OF ALL-EUROPEAN SIGNIFICANCE, (C) MEASURES TO SURMOUNT ORGANIZATIONAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER DIFFICULTIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONTAINER TRANSPORT, AND (D) INTRODUCTION OF AUTOMATIC COUPLING OF RAILWAY ROLLING STOCK.

5. IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY, THE GOB SUGGESTS CONSIDERATION OF (A) INTERCONNECTION OF POWER SYSTEMS, (B) JOINT RESEARCH INTO NEW SOURCES OF ENERGY, AND DEVELOPMENT AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES, (C) COOPERATION IN THE PRODUCTION OF MODERN POWER-GENERATING EQUIPMENT, (D) JOINT CONSTRUCTION OF FUEL BURNING POWER PLANTS, AND USE OF HYDRAULIC, THERMAL AND OTHER SOURCES OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ENERGY, AND (E) USE OF LOW-CALORIE FUEL FOR POWER GENERATION.

6. WITH REGARD TO THE ROLE OF THE ECE, THE GOB LETTER STATES THAT "THE COMMISSION COULD BE PARTICULARLY USEFUL IN THE PREPARATIONS FOR AND CONDUCT OF THE INTER-STATE MEETINGS". IN TURN, "THE DECISIONS ADOPTED AT THESE MEETINGS WILL HELP TO STIMULATE THE ACTIVITY OF ECE IN THE FIELDS IN QUESTION."

7. COMMENT: ONLY NEW ASPECT OF NOTE IN BULGARIAN LETTER IS USE THROUGHOUT OF TERM "INTER-STATE MEETINGS" RATHER THAN "CONGRESSES". THIS APPARENTLY REPRESENTS ATTEMPT TO ASSIST IN OVERCOMING DIFFICULTIES OF WESTERN COUNTRIES WITH LATTER TERM. USSR REPS IN GENEVA HAVE INDICATED IN RECENT WEEKS THAT IF WESTERN COUNTRIES WILL AGREE TO HIGH LEVEL MEETINGS, THEY CAN CALL THEM WHAT THEY WILL. END COMMENT.

8. FULL TEXT OF GOB LETTER TRANSMITTED TO IO/IEP
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